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Customer No. 30734



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

KRAUSS *et al.*

Serial No. 10/082,265

Filed: February 26, 2002

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONVEYING MATERIAL

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 7, 2002, the time for response to being extended by one month by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above identified application as follows:

A petition for a one-month extension of time is requested with the fee of \$110.00 in accordance with C.F.R. 1.17 submitted herewith. Any additional extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment is hereby requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-2036.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning with paragraph 24 with the following paragraph:

Turning to FIG. 1, the feeder 10 includes a feeder housing 12 located below a feeder inlet pipe 14, commonly referred to as a downcomer with downcomer centerline 15. Coal falls through a hopper in a vertical column through the downcomer 14, and exists the downcomer 14 at the lower opening 16 of the downcomer pipe. This lower opening 16 is also be refered to as a